

<b>AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT</b>			1. CONTRACT ID CODE		PAGE OF PAGES <b>1</b>   <b>9</b>		
2. AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION NO. <b>0007</b>		3. EFFECTIVE DATE <b>7 October 2003</b>		4. REQUISITION/PURCHASE REQ. NO.		5. PROJECT NO. (If applicable) <b>RED SEA AREA</b>	
6. ISSUED BY <b>ATTN: Alicia Williams/DESC-FPC Defense Energy Support Center 8725 John J. Kingman Road, Suite 4950 Ft. Belvoir, VA 22060-6222 Phone: (703) 767-9340 Fax: (703) 767-8506</b>		CODE <b>SCO600</b>		7. ADMINISTERED BY (If other than Item 6)		CODE	
8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR (NO., street, city, county, State, and ZIP Code)				(✓) <b>X</b>		9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO.  <b>SP0600-03-R-0124</b>	
						9B. DATED (SEE ITEM 11) <b>10 JUNE 2003</b>	
						10A. MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT/ORDER NO.	
						10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13)	
BIDDER CODE:		CAGE CODE:					
<b>11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS</b>							
<p>[ X ] The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offers [ X ] is extended [ ] is not extended. Offers must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by one of the following methods: (a) By completing Items 8 and 15, and returning <u>1</u> copies of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted ; or (c) by separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by telegram or letter, provided each telegram or letter makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.</p>							
12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA (If required)							
<b>13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS, IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.</b>							
A. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: (Specify authority) THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NO. IN ITEM 10A.							
B. THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (such as changes in paying office appropriation date, etc.) SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103(b)							
C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF:							
D. OTHER Specify type of modification and authority)							
E. IMPORTANT: Contractor [ ] is not, [ X ] is required to sign this document and return <u>    </u> copies to the issuing office.							
14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.)							
<b>SEE ATTACHED PAGES.</b>							
Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in Items 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remain unchanged and in full force and effect.							
15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)				16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print)			
15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR		15C. DATE SIGNED		16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		16C. DATE SIGNED	
(Signature of person authorized to sign)				(Signature of Contracting Officer)			

**A. This amendment is hereby issued to add Clause E28 to this requirement:**

**E28 CONTRACTOR INSPECTION RESPONSIBILITIES (STORAGE) (DESC OCT 2002)**

(a) Inspection and tests by the Government of services, facilities, and equipment specified within this contract does not relieve the Contractor from responsibility to meet all requirements of the contract.

(b) The Contractor shall furnish personnel, facilities, and equipment on-site to accomplish the following routine tests and procedures. These on-site resources may be provided by Contractor personnel or by a commercial source action on behalf of the Contractor. The Quality Representative will not be responsible for performing any of these services for the Contractor.

(1) Sampling of storage tanks, shipments and receipts in accordance with ASTM D 4057, Standard Practice for Manual Sampling of Petroleum and Petroleum Products (API Manual of Petroleum Measurement Standards (MPMS), Chapter 8.1);

(2) Retaining of product composite samples from shipments and receipts as follows:

<u>METHOD OF SHIPMENT</u>	<u>MINIMUM QUANTITY</u>	<u>MINIMUM RETENTION PERIOD</u>
Pipeline	20 liters	60 days
Tanker/Barge		
Parcel Composite	20 liters	90 days
Each compartment	0.5 liters	90 days
Navy Fleet Oilers/Vessels	10 liters	60 days
Tank Truck/Car	1 liter	15 days

**NOTE: After the minimum retention period, samples shall be tested for Appearance, Color (Visual), API Gravity/Density and Flash Point and, if found to be on-specification, shall be returned to like Government stock on-site. Sample containers may be reused if properly cleaned.**

(3) Determining the presence of water in storage tanks, shipments and receipts. Ensure that accurate water cuts are obtained by means of a water indicating paste conforming to MIL-W-83779B. Two suggested sources are Stewart Hall Chemical Testmaster Water Indicating Paste or Sartomer Sar Gel Water Indicating Paste (see Note 2 below);

(4) Determining Density at 15 degrees Celsius or API gravity of products by ASTM D 1298 or ASTM D 4052 (see Note 2 below);

(5) Determining the temperature of products by the API MPMS, Chapter 7 (see Note 2 below);

(6) Determining the Appearance of applicable products using ASTM D 4176, Procedure 1 (see Note 2 below);

(7) Determining the visual color of products.

(8) Determining the Flash Point of applicable products using test methods cited in the appropriate product specification (see Note 2 below);

(9) Conversion of gross to net gallonage (liters);

(10) Determining the percentage (volume) of fuel system icing inhibitor (FSII) by means of a portable refractometer in accordance with ASTM D 5006. One suggested source is H.B. Industries, Inc., Glenview, IL 60025 (B/2 Anti-Icing Additive test kit) (see Note 2 below); and

(11) Determining the range of fuel electrical conductivity using ASTM D 2624. One suggested source for a conductivity meter is Emcee Electronics, Inc., Sarasota, FL 33581 (Model 1152) (see Note 2 below).

**Note 1: All costs for providing the above tests and procedures shall be included in the monthly service charge. The only exception to the Contractor's obligation to provide these services as part of the monthly service charge is when the tests described above are part of the higher order analysis (defined as the following categories: Composite Samples, Storage Tanks After Receipt, Interface Mixtures, Dormant Stocks and Individual Tests (including particulate contamination) found in the attachment to the solicitations entitled MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR STORAGE SAMPLING AND TESTING. Provisions for providing higher order analyses are covered in the SAMPLING AND TESTING OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS (STORAGE) clause.**

**Note 2: Upon request, the Contractor shall permit the Quality Representative unrestricted use of the equipment and ancillary supplies needed to perform this test/procedure on behalf of the Government.**

(c) During the contract, the Contractor shall furnish representative samples of the product in each storage tank, shipment or receipt at the request of, and in the manner and to the place designated by, the Quality Representative. Sample size will be 2 gallons for gasoline-type fuels and one gallon or 10 gallons for jet diesel-type fuels. The number of samples to be furnished during any 12-month period shall not exceed eight times the number of tanks specified in the contract. Such samples shall be packed, marked, and shipped by the Contractor, shipping expense prepaid, in containers and shipping boxes furnished by the Contractor. Sample containers shall be epoxy coated on the interior. This requirement is in addition to sampling required elsewhere in this clause and the contract. All reasonable direct shipping costs associated with samples required by this paragraph shall be reimbursed upon request from the Contractor and such costs shall not be included in the monthly service charge. However, all other costs related to this requirement shall be included as part of the monthly service charge.

(DESC 52.246-9FE1)

**B. This amendment also reflects revisions to Clauses E22, I1.24 and I28.21. Should you have any questions please address them during negotiations.**

**E22 LIST OF INSPECTION OFFICES FOR DESC CONTRACTS (DESC AUG 2003)**

The following lists shall be used to identify the Government inspection office assigned inspection responsibility for DESC contracts in a particular geographic area. These contracts include, but are not limited to, those for bulk petroleum products and additives, into-plane refueling, petroleum storage and laboratory services, coal, missile fuels (including compressed gases), and posts, camps, and stations. The area of inspection responsibility and corresponding office code are assigned in paragraphs (a) and (b). The address and phone number of each inspection office by office code is provided in paragraph (c). Unless a particular inspection office is identified in another part of the contract, the assignments in this clause shall apply.

**(a) AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY AND OFFICE CODES WITHIN THE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES (CONUS):**

Alabama	110	Maine	110	Oklahoma	110
Arizona	120	Maryland	110	Oregon	120
Arkansas	110	Massachusetts	110	Pennsylvania	110
California	120	Michigan	110	Rhode Island	110
Colorado	120	Minnesota	110	South Carolina	110
Connecticut	110	Mississippi	110	South Dakota	110
Delaware	110	Missouri	110	Tennessee	110
District of Columbia	110	Montana	120	Texas	110
Florida	110	Nebraska	110	Utah	120
Georgia	110	Nevada	120	Vermont	110
Idaho	120	New Hampshire	110	Virginia	110
Illinois	110	New Jersey	110	Washington	120
Indiana	110	New Mexico	120	West Virginia	110
Iowa	110	New York	110	Wisconsin	110
Kansas	110	North Carolina	110	Wyoming	120
Kentucky	110	North Dakota	110		
Louisiana	110	Ohio	110		

**EXCEPTIONS:**

- (1) The El Paso, Texas, area is assigned to Code 120 (DESC Americas – West).
- (2) The Newcastle, Wyoming, area is assigned to Code 110 (DESC Americas – East).

**(b) AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY AND OFFICE CODES OUTSIDE THE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES (OCONUS)  
(INCLUDING ALASKA AND HAWAII):**

Afghanistan	400	Djibouti	400	Kyrgyzstan	400	Russia	200
Africa	200 <sup>2</sup>	Egypt	400	Laos	350 <sup>1</sup>	Saudi Arabia	400
Alaska	320	Eritrea	400	Lebanon	200	Seychelles Is.	400
Antarctica	310	Ethiopia	400	Madagascar	200	Singapore	350 <sup>1</sup>
Armenia	200	Europe (Continental)	200	Malaysia	350 <sup>1</sup>	Somalia	400
Ascension Island	111	Georgia	200	Maldives	350 <sup>1</sup>	South America	111
Australia	350 <sup>1</sup>	Greenland	200	Malta	200	Sri Lanka	350 <sup>1</sup>
Azerbaijan	200	Hawaiian Islands	310	Mauritius	200	Sudan	400

Azores	200	Hong Kong	330	Mexico	111	Syria	200
Bahrain	400	Iceland	200	Midway Island	310	Taiwan	350 <sup>1</sup>
Bangladesh	350 <sup>1</sup>	India	350 <sup>1</sup>	Mongolia	330	Tajikistan	400
Bermuda	111	Indonesia	350 <sup>1</sup>	Myanmar	350 <sup>1</sup>	Thailand	350 <sup>1</sup>
Bhutan	350 <sup>1</sup>	Ireland	200	Nepal	350 <sup>1</sup>	Turkey	200
Brunei	350 <sup>1</sup>	Iraq	400	New Zealand	350 <sup>1</sup>	Turkmenistan	400
Cambodia	350 <sup>1</sup>	Israel	200	Oman	400	United Arab	
Canada	120	Japan	340	Pacific Islands		Emirates	400
Canary Island	200	Johnston Atoll	310	(Central & South)	310	United Kingdom	200
Caribbean Islands	111	Jordan	400	Pakistan	400	Uzbekistan	400
Central America	111	Kazakhstan	400	Papua New Guinea	310	Vietnam	350 <sup>1</sup>
Chagos Archipelago	300	Kenya	400	Philippines	350 <sup>1</sup>	Wake Island	310
Comoros	200	Korea	330	Qatar	400	Yemen	400
Cyprus	200	Kuwait	400	Ryukus Islands, Japan	340		

<sup>[1]</sup> A copy of all documentation related to the inspection of product shipments by DESC Singapore should also be sent to Code 300, DESC Pacific.

<sup>[2]</sup> Except for those countries specifically assigned to DESC Middle East in the above list, all other countries in Africa fall under DESC Europe.

**(c) INSPECTION OFFICES AND CODES.**

110. DESC Americas -- East  
Federal Building, Room 1005  
2320 LaBranch Street  
Houston, TX 77004-1091  
Phone: (713) 718-3883  
FAX: (713) 718-3891

111. DESC Homestead  
360 Coral Sea Blvd.  
Homestead AFB, FL 33039-1299  
Phone: (305) 258-7454/55/56  
FAX: (305) 258-7761

120. DESC Americas -- West  
3171 N Gaffey Street  
San Pedro, CA 90731-1099  
Phone: (310) 900-6960  
FAX: (310) 900-6973

200. DESC Europe  
ATTN: Quality Manager  
CMR 443, Box 5000  
APO AE 09096-5000  
[Location: Wiesbaden, Germany]  
Phone: 49-611-380-7413/7541<sup>3</sup>  
FAX: 49-611-380-7406<sup>3</sup>

300. DESC Pacific  
ATTN: Quality Manager  
Building 11  
Camp H M Smith, HI 96861  
Phone: (808) 477-1173  
FAX: (808) 477-5710
310. DESC Middle Pacific  
Building 11  
Camp H M Smith, HI 96861  
Phone: (808) 477-5441  
FAX: (808) 477-5710
320. DESC Alaska  
10480 22nd Street  
Elmendorf AFB, AK 99506-2500  
Phone: (907) 552-3949  
FAX: (907) 753-0517
330. DESC Korea  
Building T-383 (CP OSCAR)  
APO AP 96218-0171  
[Location: Camp Walker, Taegu, Korea]  
Phone: 82-53-470-5204<sup>3</sup>  
FAX: 82-53-470-5103<sup>3</sup>
340. DESC Japan  
Yokota Building 714, Room 211/B-18  
Unit 5266  
APO AP 96328-5266  
[Location: Yokota AB, Japan]  
Phone: 81-311-755-2673<sup>3</sup>  
FAX: 81-311-755-3598<sup>3</sup>
350. DESC Singapore  
PSC 470, Box 2700  
FPO AP 96534-2700  
Phone: 65-287-7626<sup>3</sup>  
FAX: 65-288-6540<sup>3</sup>
400. DESC Middle East  
ATTN: Quality Manager  
PSC 451, Box DESC-ME  
FPO AP 09834-2800  
[Location: Juffair, Bahrain]  
Phone: 973-724-6503<sup>3</sup>  
FAX: 973-724-6703<sup>3</sup>

<sup>[3]</sup> Dial 011 before these numbers when calling from the U.S. When calling these numbers from outside the U.S., use the appropriate international long distance prefix for the country where the call originates.

## 11.24 LIMITATION ON PAYMENTS TO INFLUENCE CERTAIN FEDERAL TRANSACTIONS (JUN 2003)

### (a) DEFINITIONS.

**Agency**, as used in this clause, means executive agency as defined in 2.101.

**Covered Federal action**, as used in this clause, means any of the following Federal actions:

- (1) The awarding of any Federal contract.
- (2) The making of any Federal grant.
- (3) The making of any Federal loan.
- (4) The entering into of any cooperative agreement.
- (5) The extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative

agreement.

**Indian tribe** and **tribal organization**, as used in this clause, have the meaning provided in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450B) and include Alaskan Natives.

**Influencing or attempting to influence**, as used in this clause, means making, with the intent to influence, any communication to or appearance before an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with any covered Federal action.

**Local government**, as used in this clause, means a unit of government in a State and, if chartered, established, or otherwise recognized by a State for the performance of a governmental duty, including a local public authority, a special district, an intrastate district, a council of governments, a sponsor group representative organization, and any other instrumentality of a local government.

**Officer or employee of an agency**, as used in this clause, includes the following individuals who are employed by an agency:

- (1) An individual who is appointed to a position in the Government under title 5, United States Code, including a position
- (2) under a temporary appointment.
- (2) A member of the uniformed services, as defined in subsection 101(3), title 37, United States Code.
- (3) A special Government employee, as defined in section 202, title 18, United States Code.
- (3) An individual who is a member of a Federal advisory committee, as defined by the Federal Advisory Committee Act,
- (4) title 5, United States Code, appendix 2.

**Person**, as used in this clause, means an individual, corporation, company, association, authority, firm, partnership, society, State, and local government, regardless of whether such entity is operated for profit or not for profit. This term excludes an Indian tribe, tribal organization, or any other Indian organization with respect to expenditures specifically permitted by other Federal law.

**Reasonable compensation**, as used in this clause, means, with respect to a regularly employed officer or employee of any person, compensation that is consistent with the normal compensation for such officer or employee for work that is not furnished to, not funded by, or not furnished in cooperation with the Federal Government.

**Reasonable payment**, as used in this clause, means, with respect to professional and other technical services, a payment in an amount that is consistent with the amount normally paid for such services in the private sector.

**Recipient**, as used in this clause, includes the Contractor and all subcontractors. This term excludes an Indian tribe, tribal organization, or any other Indian organization with respect to expenditures specifically permitted by other Federal law.

**Regularly employed**, as used in this clause, means, with respect to an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a Federal contract, an officer or employee who is employed by such person for at least 130 working days within 1 year immediately preceding the date of the submission that initiates agency consideration of such person for receipt of such contract. An officer or employee who is employed by such person for less than 130 working days within 1 year immediately preceding the date of the submission that initiates agency consideration of such person shall be considered to be regularly employed as soon as he or she is employed by such person for 130 working days.

**State**, as used in this clause, means a State of the United States, the District of Columbia, or an outlying area of the United States, an agency or instrumentality of a State, and multi-State, regional, or interstate entity having governmental duties and powers.

### (b) PROHIBITIONS.

(1) Section 1352 of Title 31, United States Code, among other things, prohibits a recipient of a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement from using appropriated funds to pay any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with any of the following covered Federal actions: the awarding of any Federal contract; the making of any Federal grant; the making of any Federal loan; the entering into of any cooperative agreement; or the modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

(2) The Act also requires Contractors to furnish a disclosure if any funds other than Federal appropriated funds (including profit or fee received under a covered Federal transaction) have been paid, or will be paid, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

(3) The prohibitions of the Act do not apply under the following conditions:

(i) **AGENCY AND LEGISLATIVE LIAISON BY OWN EMPLOYEES.**

(A) The prohibition on the use of appropriated funds, in subparagraph (b)(1) of this clause, does not apply in the case of a payment of reasonable compensation made to an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action if the payment is for agency and legislative liaison activities not directly related to a covered Federal action.

(B) For purposes of subdivision (b)(3)(i)(A) of this clause, providing any information specifically requested by an agency or Congress is permitted at any time.

(C) The following agency and legislative liaison activities are permitted at any time where they are not related to a specific solicitation for any covered Federal action:

(a) Discussing with an agency the qualities and characteristics (including individual demonstrations) of the person's products or services, conditions or terms of sale, and service capabilities.

(b) Technical discussions and other activities regarding the application or adaptation of the person's products or services for an agency's use.

(D) The following agency and legislative liaison activities are permitted where they are prior to formal solicitation of any covered Federal action:

(a) Providing any information not specifically requested but necessary for an agency to make an informed decision about initiation of a covered Federal action;

(b) Technical discussions regarding the preparation of an unsolicited proposal prior to its official submission;  
and

(c) Capability presentations by persons seeking awards from an agency pursuant to the provisions of the Small Business Act, as amended by Public Law 95-507, and subsequent amendments.

(E) Only those services expressly authorized by subdivision (b)(3)(i)(A) of this clause are permitted under this clause.

(ii) **PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL SERVICES.**

(A) The prohibition on the use of appropriated funds, in subparagraph (b)(1) of this clause, does not apply in the case of--

(a) A payment of reasonable compensation made to an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action or an extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a covered Federal action, if payment is for professional or technical services rendered directly in the preparation, submission, or negotiation of any bid, proposal, or application for that Federal action or for meeting requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving that Federal action.

(b) Any reasonable payment to a person, other than an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action or an extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a covered Federal action if the payment is for professional or technical services rendered directly in the preparation, submission, or negotiation of any bid, proposal, or application for that Federal action or for meeting requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving that Federal action. Persons other than officers or employees of a person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action include consultants and trade associations.

(B) For purposes of subdivision (b)(3)(ii)(A) of this clause, "professional and technical services" shall be limited to advice and analysis directly applying any professional or technical discipline. For example, drafting of a legal document accompanying a bid or proposal by a lawyer is allowable. Similarly, technical advice provided by an engineer on the performance or operational capability of a piece of equipment rendered directly in the negotiation of a contract is allowable. However, communications with the intent to influence made by a professional (such as a licensed lawyer) or a technical person (such as a licensed accountant) are not allowable under this section unless they provide advice and analysis directly applying their professional or technical expertise and unless the advice or analysis is rendered directly and solely in the preparation, submission or negotiation of a covered Federal action. Thus, for example, communications with the intent to influence made by a lawyer that do not provide legal advice or analysis directly and solely related to the legal aspects of his or her client's proposal, but generally advocate one proposal over another are not allowable under this section because the lawyer is not providing professional legal services. Similarly, communications with the intent to influence made by an engineer providing an engineering analysis prior to the preparation or submission of a bid or proposal are not allowable under this section since the engineer is providing technical services but not directly in the preparation, submission, or negotiation of a covered Federal action.

(C) Requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving a covered Federal award include those required by law or regulation and any other requirements in the actual award documents.

(D) Only those services expressly authorized by subdivisions (b)(3)(ii)(A)(a) and (b) of this clause are permitted under this clause.

(E) The reporting requirements of FAR 3.803(a) shall not apply with respect to payments of reasonable compensation made to regularly employed officers or employees of a person.

(iii) **DISCLOSURE.**

(A) Each person who requests or receives from an agency a Federal contract shall file with that agency a disclosure form, OMB standard form LLL, Disclosure of Lobbying Activities, if such person has made or has agreed to make any payments using nonappropriated funds (to INCLUDE profits from any covered Federal action), which would be prohibited under subparagraph (b)(1) of this clause, if paid for with appropriated funds.

(B) The Contractor shall file a disclosure form at the end of each calendar quarter in which there occurs any event that materially affects the accuracy of the information contained in any disclosure form previously filed by such person under subdivision (A) of this clause. An event that materially affects the accuracy of the information reported includes--

(a) A cumulative increase of \$25,000 or more in the amount paid or expected to be paid for influencing or attempting to influence a covered Federal action;

(b) A change in the person(s) or individual(s) influencing or attempting to influence a covered Federal action;

or  
(c) A change in the officer(s), employee(s), or Members(s) contacted to influence or attempt to influence a covered Federal action.

(C) The Contractor shall require the submittal of a certification, and if required, a disclosure form by any person who requests or receives any subcontract exceeding \$100,000 under the Federal contract.

(D) All subcontractor disclosure forms (but not certifications) shall be forwarded from tier to tier until received by the prime Contractor. The prime Contractor shall submit all disclosures to the Contracting Officer at the end of the calendar quarter in which the disclosure form is submitted by the subcontractor. Each subcontractor certification shall be retained in the subcontract file of the awarding Contractor.

(iv) **AGREEMENT.** The Contractor agrees not to make any payment prohibited by this clause.

(v) **PENALTIES.**

(A) Any person who makes an expenditure prohibited under paragraph (a) of this clause or who fails to file or amend the disclosure form to be filed or amended by paragraph (b) of this clause shall be subject to civil penalties as provided for by 31 U.S.C. 1352. An imposition of a civil penalty does not prevent the Government from seeking any other remedy that may be applicable.

(B) Contractors may rely without liability on the representation made by their subcontractors in the certification and disclosure form.

(vi) **COST ALLOWABILITY.** Nothing in this clause makes allowable or reasonable any costs which would otherwise be unallowable or unreasonable. Conversely, costs made specifically unallowable by the requirements in this clause will not be made allowable under any other provision.

(FAR 52.203-12)

## **128.21 TAXES - FOREIGN FIXED-PRICE CONTRACTS (JUN 2003)**

(a) To the extent that this contract provides for furnishing supplies or performing services outside the United States and its outlying areas, this clause applies in lieu of any Federal, State, and local taxes clause of the contract.

(b) **DEFINITIONS.** As used in this clause—

**Contract date** means the date set for bid opening or, if this is a negotiated contract or a modification, the effective date of this contract or modification.

**Country concerned** means any country, other than the United States and its outlying areas, in which expenditures under this contract are made.

**Tax and taxes** include fees and charges for doing business that are levied by the government of the country concerned or by its political subdivisions.

**All applicable taxes and duties** means all taxes and duties, in effect on the contract date, that the taxing authority is imposing and collecting on the transactions or property covered by this contract, pursuant to written ruling or regulation in effect on the contract date.

**After-imposed tax** means any new or increased tax or duty, or tax that was exempted or excluded on the contract date but whose exemption was later revoked or reduced during the contract period, other than excepted tax, on the transactions or property covered by this contract that the Contractor is required to pay or bear as the result of legislative, judicial, or administrative action taking effect after the contract date.

**After-relieved tax** means any amount of tax or duty, other than an excepted tax, that would otherwise have been payable on the transactions or property covered by this contract, but which the Contractor is not required to pay or bear, or for which the Contractor obtains a refund, as the result of legislative, judicial, or administrative action taking effect after the contract date.

**Excepted tax** means social security or other employment taxes, net income and franchise taxes, excess profits taxes, capital stock taxes, transportation taxes, unemployment compensation taxes, and property taxes. "Excepted tax" does not include gross income taxes levied on or measured by sales or receipts from sales, property taxes assessed on completed supplies covered by this contract, or any tax assessed on the Contractor's possession of, interest in, or use of property, title to which is in the U.S. Government.

(c) Unless otherwise provided in this contract, the contract price includes all applicable taxes and duties, except taxes and duties that the Government of the United States and the government of the country concerned have agreed shall not be applicable to expenditures in such country by or on behalf of the United States.



(d) The contract price shall be increased by the amount of any after-imposed tax or of any tax or duty specifically excluded from the contract price by a provision of this contract that the Contractor is required to pay or bear, including any interest or penalty, if the Contractor states in writing that the contract price does not include any contingency for such tax and if liability for such tax, interest, or penalty was not incurred through the Contractor's fault, negligence, or failure to follow instructions of the Contracting Officer or to comply with the provisions of paragraph (i) below.

(e) The contract price shall be decreased by the amount of any after-relieved tax, including any interest or penalty. The Government of the United States shall be entitled to interest received by the Contractor incident to a refund of taxes to the extent that such interest was earned after the Contractor was paid by the Government of the United States for such taxes. The Government of the United States shall be entitled to repayment of any penalty refunded to the contractor to the extent that the penalty was paid by the Government.

(f) The contract price shall be decreased by the amount of any tax or duty, other than an excepted tax, that was included in the contract and that the Contractor is required to pay or bear, or does not obtain a refund of, through the Contractor's fault, negligence, or failure to follow instructions of the Contracting Officer or to comply with the provisions of paragraph (i) below.

(g) No adjustment shall be made in the contract price under this clause unless the amount of the adjustment exceeds \$250.

(h) If the Contractor obtains a reduction in tax liability under the United States Internal Revenue Code (Title 26, U.S. Code) because of the payment of any tax or duty that either was included in the contract price or was the basis of an increase in the contract price, the amount of the reduction shall be paid or credited to the Government of the United States as the Contracting Officer directs.

(i) The Contractor shall take all reasonable action to obtain exemption from or refund of any taxes or duties, including interest or penalty, from which the United States Government, the Contractor, any subcontractor, or the transactions or property covered by this contract are exempt under the laws of the country concerned or its political subdivisions or which the governments of the United States and of the country concerned have agreed shall not be applicable to expenditures in such country by or on behalf of the United States.

(j) The Contractor shall promptly notify the Contracting Officer of all matters relating to taxes or duties that reasonably may be expected to result in either an increase or decrease in the contract price and shall take appropriate action as the Contracting Officer directs. The contract price shall be equitably adjusted to cover the costs of action taken by the Contractor at the direction of the Contracting Officer, including any interest, penalty, and reasonable attorneys' fees.

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**C. All other terms and conditions remain the same.**